## 2005 VARIETY TESTING WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY FARMINGTON SPRING BARLEY

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WARIETY MANE	5 YEAR	3 YEAR	2 YEAR	2005	2005
VARIETY NAME	AVERAGE		AVERAGE	YIELD	TEST WT.
	(LB/A)	(LB/A)	(LB/A)	(LB/A)	(LBS/BU)
FARMINGTON	E762 ( 1)	E667 ( 1)	6242 ( 2)	4667 (42)	46.6
	5762 (1)	5667 (1)	6243 (3)	4667 (13)	
HARRINGTON	5181 (2)	5207 (7)	5667 (15)	4747 (9)	46.4
RADIANT	5164 (3)	5243 ( 5)	5910 ( 9)	4632 (14)	45.5
BARONESSE	5133 (4)	5018 (8)	5354 (19)	3829 (30)	47.2
ВОВ	5073 ( 5)	4917 (12)	5171 (21)	3424 (36)	48.0
CAMAS	4535 ( 6)	4257 (15)	5114 (22)	3583 (34)	48.4
MOREX	4481 (7)	4286 (14)	4596 (24)	3685 (31)	47.7
XENA	4308 ( 8)	4130 (16)	5077 (23)	3351 (37)	47.0
BOULDER		5477 ( 2)	6081 ( 5)	4531 (20)	50.0
01NZ706		5285 ( 3)	5964 ( 8)	4568 (17)	44.1
CEBECO 0149		5282 ( 4)	5768 (10)	4272 (24)	47.0
WA 8569-99		5212 ( 6)	5754 (11)	4262 (25)	47.4
CREEL		5010 (9)	5534 (16)	4463 (21)	44.4
LEGACY		4997 (10)	5300 (20)	4605 (15)	46.4
WA 10701-99		4994 (11)	5685 (14)	4780 (7)	48.1
AC METCALFE		4881 (13)	5474 (18)	4254 (26)	47.4
YU-501-385			6843 (1)	5678 (1)	50.4
01NZ392			6445 (2)	5287 (2)	45.3
WA 10429-00			6174 ( 4)	5193 (3)	46.5
WA 7330-00			6062 (6)	4581 (16)	47.9
WA 15279-00			6005 (7)	4416 (22)	45.8
01NZ338			5721 (12)	4052 (29)	44.2
01NZ111			5687 (13)	4560 (19)	49.7
TRADITION			5511 (17)	4564 (18)	48.2
02WNZ1821				5000 (4)	47.3
2001NZ384				4908 (5)	45.5
02WNZ1826				4881 (6)	45.9
02WNZ1990				4757 (8)	46.4
02WNZ1551				4729 (10)	47.6
02WNZ1874				4715 (11)	47.8
BURTON				4709 (12)	49.0
02WNZ1719				4360 (23)	46.7
02WNZ1015				4148 (27)	48.0
01WA13825.22				4138 (28)	47.8
02WNZ1100				3672 (32)	47.4
00WNZ154				3620 (33)	45.5
GMG SPAULDING				3570 (35)	49.1
2001NZ078				3200 (38)	45.7
02WNZ1095				2921 (39)	46.3
02WNZ1023				2120 (40)	45.8
02141421023				2120 (40)	40.0
Moon	40EE	4004	E74.4	4206	47.0
Mean CV9/	4955	4991	5714	4286	47.0
CV%	13.3	14.4	13.0	21.1	2.1
LSD @ .10	401	564	713	1226	1.3

## FARMINGTON SPRING BARLEY - 2005 WSU VARIETY TESTING DATA

- 1. 2005 Spring Barley data from the WSU Variety Testing nursery at the Farmington location averaged 3961 lbs/ac and was 21.1% less than the previous 3-year historical average of 5413 lbs/ac. This nursery was re-cropped following a 2004 winter wheat crop
- 2. The uniqueness 2005 GROWING SEASON (dry/cold spring, wet May 2005, hot/dry weather at the end of June 2005) appeared to influence yields and quality. Average PLANT HEIGHT in the 2005 spring barley nursery was only 26.0 inches compared to 33.8 inches in the previous year (2004). This 23% reduction in plant height appears to have an association with reduced yields, just in terms of plant growth and development.
- 3. TEST WEIGHT values were somewhat low for the majority of varieties in this nursery with only 25% of the varieties averaging over 48.0 lbs/bu. As experienced in other many of the other 2005 spring barley nurseries, on average, 6-row varieties had lower test weight values (45.7 lbs/bu) than 2-row varieties (47.4 lbs/bu) which are fairly typical.
- 4. Variety YIELD RANKINGS seemed to bounce around compared to historical yield rankings.

Even Baronesse that has historically placed  $8^{th}$  and  $4^{th}$  on the 3-year and 5-year averages, respectively, slipped to  $30^{th}$  ranking out of the 40 entries in the 2005 nursery. There was a fairly high level of plot variation (CV = 21.1%) in this nursery caused by some unevenness in stand establishment and plant development compounded by the growing season conditions. This contributed to some of the 'bouncing' around. Historical (2, 3 and 5-year) averages are the best data sets to use in making varietal choices for this nursery.